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| Minh Van NGO , et al. | : | Confirmation Number: 3802 |
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH METAL GATE AND HIGH K TANTALUM OXIDE OR
TANTALUM OXYNITRIDE GATE DIELECTRIC

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Sir:


We are in receipt of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed January 7, 2005.

In response to this Notice, submitted herewith are 9 sheets of substitute drawings in compliance with CFR 1.84. If anything further is needed, please contact the undersigned immediately.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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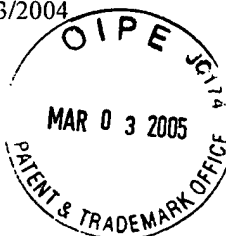


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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be made on paper that has a white background (see 37 CFR 1.84 (e)). For example, drawings on graph paper, lined paper, or paper that has a non-white background are not acceptable. See Figure(s) Fig 1-9.

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